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SUBJECT: INDOCHINESE REFUGEES - THAO SOUKANH AND BOU THANH

1. MS. RUTH I. DIECK, LUTHERAN COUNCIL, 315 PARK AVENUE SOUTH, NEW YORK 10010, (TEL. 212-677-3950), WROTE ORM 11/21/75 REGARDING REFUGEES SOUKANH, WIFE NGUYEN THI LOAN, AND CHILD BOU THANH. MS. DIECK ENCLOSED LETTER OF 10/22/75 TO ANNE PRESTON, AMEMBASSY PARIS, REGARDING REUNIFICATION OF NGUYEN THI LOAN AND FAMILY WITH HER FATHER NGUYEN PHO TRONG, VIETNAMESE REFUGEE AT PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH, 17 INDIANA, RAPID CITY, SOUTH DAKOTA 57701. MS. DIECK ALSO ENCLOSED REPLY FROM MS. PRESTON OF 10/30/75 STATING THAT REFUGEES DID NOT QUALIFY FOR PAROLE SINCE HEAD OF FAMILY WAS LAO.

2. IN FACT, ORM HAS RESERVED SOME NUMBERS TO PAROLE IN ELIGIBLE LAO REFUGEES FROM WORLDWIDE POSTS. FOLLOWING QUESTIONS ARISE, HOWEVER, REGARDING ELIGIBILITY OF SOUKANH AND FAMILY FOR PAROLE.

3. FIRST, IS SOUKANH FAMILY ABLE RESETTLE PERMANENTLY IN UNCLASSIFIED

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FRANCE, E.G., BE EMPLOYED THERE? IF SO, THEY WOULD NOT BE

ELIGIBLE FOR PAROLE. ALSO, IS HE LAO OR ETHNIC VIETNAMESE
WHO MAY HAVE BEEN BORN IN LALAOS? WHAT IS SOUKANH'S
FAMILY NAME? FYI THAO MEANS MISTER IN LAO.

4. REQUEST POST REPLY TO ABOVE QUESTIONS WITH RECOMMENDA-
TIONS AS TO WHETHER OR NOT SOUKANH AND FAMILY SHOULD BE
CONSIDERED FOR PAROLE UNDER EITHER VIETNAMESE OR LAO
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